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The President has assured the people of Cuba that the only purpose of our government is to establish a stable and independent government upon the island. The recognition of the right of the people to independence relegates the Cuban question to a matter of detail. The people of Porto Rico seem to desire annexation to the United States, and since that Island is a part of the western hemisphere and of great strategic advantage to this nation, there is practically no opposition to the lincorporation of Porto Rico within the Union.

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the Philippine question, however, is still an unsettled one. While the treaty as been ratified, yet the vote was very dose, and favorable action could not be secured until an understanding was reached that ratification would not de-centing the future status of the Fili-

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lows:

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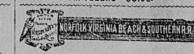
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